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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

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Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A skateboard security rack for securing a skateboard having a deck and a pair of axles mounted thereon with wheels, the skateboard having a wheelbase, a
10 deck thickness, a deck width, and a height from the top of the deck at the wheels to the bottom of the wheels, comprising:

a pair of spaced apart support members each having a base adapted to mount to a base surface and a portion that extends normally away from the base to a height dimension at least as great as the skateboard deck width, a first one of the support members having a
15 maximum width dimension smaller than the skateboard wheelbase, the support members being adapted to mount in parallel to one another at a distance apart perpendicular to the support member width dimension that is greater than the skateboard deck thickness but less than the skateboard height, a slot therefore being defined between the support members for receiving a skateboard; and

20 locking structure including loops coupled to both support members wherein a lock is used to join the loops together for constraining a skateboard positioned in the slot and having its wheels on both sides of the first support member.

2. (Canceled)

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3. (Canceled)

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4. (Currently amended) The skateboard security rack of claim 1 3, wherein the loops are movable on at least one support member.

5. (Previously presented) The skateboard security rack of claim 4, wherein the loops
5 slide freely on at least one support member.

6. (Currently amended) The skateboard security rack of claim 1 3, wherein both loops are provided in a fixed position on each respective support member.

10 7. (Canceled)

8. (Withdrawn) The skateboard security rack of claim 1, wherein the support members are selected from the group consisting of:

elongated hollow members;

15 elongated solid members;

hollow panels; and

solid panels.

9. (Original) The skateboard security rack of claim 1, wherein the support members
20 are configured as elongated upside-down U-bends.

10. (Previously presented) The skateboard security rack of claim 9, wherein each upside-down U-bend defines a pair of spaced apart bases and a middle portion that extends normally away from the bases to the height dimension such that the apex of the U-bend is farthest
25 away from the bases.

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11. (Previously presented) The skateboard security rack of claim 9, wherein each upside-down U-bend comprises a hollow tube, and wherein the locking structure includes free-sliding loops on both support members.

5 12-19. (Canceled)

20. (Currently amended) A portable skateboard security rack for securing a skateboard having a deck and a pair of axles mounted thereon with wheels, the skateboard having a wheelbase, a deck thickness, a deck width, and a height from the top of the deck at the wheels to
10 the bottom of the wheels, comprising:

a portable mounting base; and

~~a pair of an array of at least three~~ spaced apart support members each being attached to the mounting base and extending normally away from the base a height dimension at least as great as the skateboard deck width, each of the support members having a width dimension and at least one of the support members having a width dimension smaller than the skateboard wheelbase, all of the support members being mounted in parallel to each other on the mounting base a distance apart perpendicular to their width dimensions ~~the width dimension~~ that is greater than the skateboard deck thickness but less than the skateboard height, a slot therefore being defined between each two adjacent the support members for receiving a skateboard such that there is always one less slot than the number of support members.

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21. (Original) The portable skateboard security rack of claim 20, wherein the support members are formed as elongated, inverted U-shapes each having spaced apart ends and an elongated middle portion therebetween.

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22. (Original) The portable skateboard security rack of claim 21, wherein the base comprises a pair of spaced apart strips to which opposed ends of the support members attach.

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23. (Original) The portable skateboard security rack of claim 20, wherein one of the support members has a width dimension larger than the other.

5 24. (Canceled)

25. (New) A skateboard security rack for securing a skateboard having a deck and a pair of axles mounted thereon with wheels, the skateboard having a wheelbase, a deck thickness, a deck width, and a height from the top of the deck at the wheels to the bottom of the wheels,
10 comprising:

a pair of spaced apart support members configured as elongated upside-down U-bends each having a base adapted to mount to a base surface and a portion that extends normally away from the base to a height dimension at least as great as the skateboard deck width, a first one of the support members having a maximum width dimension smaller than
15 the skateboard wheelbase, the support members being adapted to mount in parallel to one another at a distance apart perpendicular to their width dimensions that is greater than the skateboard deck thickness but less than the skateboard height, a slot therefore being defined between the support members for receiving a skateboard; and

locking structure coupled to both support members for constraining a skateboard
20 positioned in the slot and having its wheels on both sides of the first support member.

26. (New) The skateboard security rack of claim 25, wherein each upside-down U-bend defines a pair of spaced apart bases and a middle portion that extends normally away from the bases to the height dimension such that the apex of the U-bend is farthest away from the
25 bases.

27. (New) The skateboard security rack of claim 25, wherein the support members are selected from the group consisting of:

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elongated hollow members; and

elongated solid members.

28. (New) The skateboard security rack of claim 25, further including a portable
5 mounting base to which the bases of each of the support members attach.